MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents

From: Board Office

Subject: Demolition of Maintenance Building at Reiman Gardens

Date: May 7, 2001

Recommended Action:

Approve the demolition of the maintenance building located at the Reiman Gardens.

(ROLL CALL VOTE)

Executive Summary:

The University requests approval to demolish the 1,760 square foot maintenance building located at the Reiman Gardens. The building, which was constructed in 1995, is located on the site for construction of the Reiman Gardens Conservatory and must be removed to accommodate the construction project. The cost for demolition of the structure and clean-up is estimated at approximately \$4,500.

Background and Analysis:

During the design phase for the Reiman Gardens Conservatory project, the University evaluated a number of options for the maintenance building. These options included relocating the existing building; incorporating the building into the Conservatory design; or dismantling and reconstructing the building. The University has determined that demolition of the existing building and construction of a new maintenance facility would provide the most cost-effective option. In addition, since the existing maintenance building does not meet the size and functional requirements for the Reiman Gardens, this option would also allow construction of a larger and more functional maintenance building to meet better the needs of the Reiman Gardens.

The University plans to construct a new, 2,500 square foot maintenance building as part of the Reiman Gardens Conservatory project, as indicated during the schematic design presentation in June 2000. The estimated cost for construction of the new building is \$131,000. The costs for demolition and clean-up of the existing building are also included in the project budget for the Conservatory.

The University plans to construct the new maintenance building prior to demolition of the existing building to minimize disruption to the Reiman Gardens operations. The University reports that all salvageable materials would be removed from the existing building prior to disposal, and most of these materials would be utilized in the new maintenance building.

The University has placed the current value of the maintenance building at \$171,590. Therefore, approval of the demolition is requested in accordance with Regent Procedural Guide §7.11, which requires the Board to approve disposal of buildings with an estimated value of \$1,000 or more.

Approved

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